RESPONSE

Claims 1, and 4-20 were pending in this application. Claims 12-20 have been cancelled.

Allowable Claims

Claims 1 and 4-11 have been indicated as allowable.

CONCLUSION

In summary, the above-identified patent application has been amended and Applicants submit that by cancelling non-allowable claims 12-20 this application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the Applicants Representative at the number below.

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an online payment made herewith, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. <u>50-3735</u>.

If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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